

1 **IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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11 Performance

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16 **RESPONSE TO NOVEMBER 21, 2006 NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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18 In response to the non-final office action (the Action) of November 21,
19 2006, the response is provided as follows:

20 The listing of the claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

21 Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.